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Northern District of California

UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT NORTHERN DISTRICT OF CALIFORNIA

JAMES MCCURDY,

Plaintiff,

v.

M. RIVERO, et al.,

Defendants.

Case No. 17-01043 BLF (PR)

ORDER DENYING MOTION TO Y; GRANTING LEAVE TO E SWORN DECLARATION IN SUPPORT OF OPPOSITION

(Docket No. 140)

Plaintiff, a state prisoner proceeding pro se, filed a civil rights action pursuant to 42 U.S.C. § 1983. Defendants filed a motion for summary judgment, (Docket No. 118), which became submitted on August 1, 2019, upon the filing of their reply, (Docket No. 139). (Docket No. 13 at 6.)

On August 8, 2019, Plaintiff filed a motion for an extension of time to file a surreply to Defendants' reply. (Docket No. 140.) In the accompanying declaration, Plaintiff asserts that Defendants, in their reply, objected to his opposition on the grounds that it is not properly sworn and signed under penalty of perjury. (Docket No. 140-1 at 2.) He requests leave to file a properly sworn and signed declaration in opposition to Defendants' summary judgment motion along with other objections.

Local Rule 7-3(d) provides that an opposition party may file and serve an objection to reply evidence only "if new evidence has been submitted in the reply." *See* Civil L.R. 7-3(d). Plaintiff makes no assertion that Defendants have improperly submitted any new evidence in their reply. Rather, the only evidence submitted by Defendants with their reply was to refute the evidence Plaintiff submitted in support of his opposition. (Docket No. 139.) Accordingly, on that basis alone the motion should be denied under Local Rule 7-3(d). However, in the interest of justice and in light of Plaintiff's *pro se* status, Plaintiff shall be granted an opportunity to file a properly sworn and signed declaration in support of his opposition to Defendants' summary judgment motion. That is the only additional document from Plaintiff that the Court will accept and consider in deciding Defendants' summary judgment motion.

Plaintiff shall file his sworn declaration **no later than fourteen (14) days** from the date this order is filed. Defendants' summary judgment motion shall be deemed submitted on the date Plaintiff's sworn declaration is due. **No further extensions of time shall be granted.**

This order terminates Docket No. 140.

IT IS SO ORDERED.

Dated: August 26, 2019

BETH LABSON FREEMAN United States District Judge

Order Granting Ext. of Time to File Sworn Decl. PRO-SE\BLF\CR.17\01043McCurdy eot-surreply